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Select File, LB 186A. Mr. Clerk.

CLERK: Mr. President, LB 186A. Senator Erdman, I have no amendments to that bill, Senator.

SPEAKER KRISTENSEN: Senator Erdman, you're recognized for a motion.

SENATOR ERDMAN: Thank you, Mr. Speaker. I move the advancement of LB 186A to E & R for engrossing.

SPEAKER KRISTENSEN: Heard the motion. Question before the body is advancement of the bill. All those in favor say aye. Those opposed say nay. It advances. Members, would you please take your seat for Final Reading. Mr. Clerk, LB 51.

CLERK: Mr. President, I have a motion on the desk. Senator Chambers would move to return the bill for a specific amendment, that amendment being to strike the enacting clause. (FA45, Legislative Journal page 796.)

SPEAKER KRISTENSEN: Senator Chambers, you're recognized to open on your motion.

SENATOR CHAMBERS: Mr. President, members of the Legislature, fear not for behold I bring my colleagues good tidings of great joy which shall be to every person who has introduced a bill. My intent is not to kill a single bill this morning. My intent will be made clear later. Am I doing this to protest the fact that we don't read certain bills on Final Reading anymore? Perhaps. Am I doing it simply because under the rules I can do it? Maybe. Am I doing it to manifest an attitude that was manifested toward a black woman who works for me? We'll have to wait and see. But when somebody who means something to me is publicly embarrassed and humiliated then I'm going to deal with the ones who did it in public. When an employee is so hateful that some people don't even want to go to that employee to do his job, he doesn't deserve to be here. If he's so mean and grumpy and gruff that those who hire him are afraid of him, he doesn't deserve to be here. In the church I grew up in as a small fellow they used to say, speak no name and bear no blame.